
Site Address: Trees to rear of 4 and 5 Coastguard Cottages, Langstone Road, Havant, PO9 1RG

Proposal: Reduce southern sector of 1No. Oak (T2) by 2.8m, reduce all remaining sectors and top by 2.5m (to old pruning points); Crown lift to 3m 1No. Beech (T1), remove 2No. lower limbs on south/southwest sector back to stem, reduce South sector by 2.5m and top by 2m. Remove any dead, crossing or epicormic branches from both trees as necessary. Subject to TPO 1115.

Application No: APP/17/01353 Expiry Date: 13/02/2018

Applicant: Mr/ Ms Monk

Agent: Mr J Petley Case Officer: Maria Stewart

JP Tree & Garden Services

Ward: St Faiths

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

Trees to rear of 4 and 5 Coastguard Cottages, Langstone Road, Havant, PO9 1RG

2 Planning History

APP/13/00149 - Crown reduce 1No. Oak (T2) by 2.5m overall, remove dead crossing and epicormic growth subject to TPO 1115., PERM,26/03/2013

APP/14/01311 - Fell 1No. Elm and 1No. Conifer and reduce height to just below wall level 1No. fig within Langstone Conservation Area., RNO,27/01/2015

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4 Policy Considerations

National Planning Policy Framework

Havant Borough Local Plan (Core Strategy) March 2011

DM8 (Conservation, Protection and Enhancement of Existing Natural Features)

Havant Borough Local Plan (Allocations) July 2014

Listed Building Grade: Not applicable.

Conservation Area: Langstone

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

6 **Community Involvement**

This application was publicised in accordance with the Council's Code of Practice for Publicity of Planning Applications approved at minute 207/6/92 (as amended), as a result of which the following publicity was undertaken:

Number of neighbour notification letters sent: 7

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 0

Comment	Officer Comment

7 **Planning Considerations**

7.1 Having regard to the relevant policies of the development plan it is considered that the main issues arising from this application are:

- Whether the degree of pruning works requested would undermine the amenity value of these trees and whether this could also be harmful to their ongoing health and vitality.

7.2 My inspection related specifically to assessing the proposed works rather than generally inspecting the tree's health and condition in any great detail. I visually inspected the tree from ground level and the following report deals with the relevant issues that have been raised on site, in the application form and from my site observations.

7.3 This application relates to the proposed pruning of two trees located to the rear of Coastguard cottages. A Beech and an Oak stand in close proximity to one another. As far as it was reasonable to see they have good vigour and vitality. The Oak has been pruned before and the intention is to prune back to previous pruning points. The Beech is to be reduced to the same size as the Oak.

No objections to the work have been received.

The trees only have a limited public amenity value and the work proposed will not harm the health of the trees, therefore permission should be granted.

8 **Conclusion**

Permit

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/17/01353

(A)

(B) for the following reasons/subject to the following conditions

- 1 The tree works for which consent is hereby granted shall not be carried out otherwise than in full accordance with all relevant content of BS 3998 (2010).
Reason: In the interests of tree health and safety.
- 2 The tree works for which consent is hereby granted shall be carried out and completed no later than 13/02/19.
Reason: To control the timing of the works